IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE CENTER 1600/2900

In re Application of:

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For: AEROGEL POWDER

THERAPEUTIC AGENTS

Group Art Unit: 1737

Examiner: M Haghighatian

April 18, 2003

Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks

Washington DC 20231

## <u>A M E N D M E N T</u>

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 18, 2002, for which a reply was due February 18, 2003, and for which a 2 month extension of time until April 18, 2003, is applied for herewith, please amend as follows:

## In the Claims

A dispersible dry powder for pulmonary delivery 1. (amended) [comprising] consisting essentially of a therapeutically effective amount of a therapeutic agent [in combination with] dispersed throughout [an] aerogel [particle] particles which [is] are soluble in human pulmonary surfactant.

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